

## Message Text

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FM AMEMBASSY NEW DELHI  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC NIACT IMMEDIATE 9059  
INFO AMEMBASSY ISLAMABAD  
AMEMBASSY TEHRAN

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E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: MASS, IN, PK  
SUBJECT: REINTERPRETATION OF ARMS POLICY TOWARD SOUTH ASIA

REF: NEW DELHI 731

1. I AM AFRAID I CANNOT WAIT FOR YOUR REPLY TO MY QUESTIONS  
YESTERDAY BEFORE PUTTING A NEW ONE. I ASSUME ODRP/PAKISTAN  
OR AMBASSADOR BYROADE HAS ALREADY INFORMED OR IS ON THE VERGE  
OF INFORMING THE PAKISTAN GOVERNMENT ABOUT TANKS AND GUNSIGHTS.  
I AM GOING TO BE SEEING THE FOREIGN MINISTER TOMORROW AT 11:00  
BEFORE I TAKE OFF FOR POINTS WEST AT THE END OF THE WEEK.  
I WOULD PREFER THAT HE AND THE INDIAN GOVERNMENT NOT LEARN  
ABOUT THE SHIFTING SANDS OF OUR ARMS SUPPLY POLICY TOWARD THE

SUBCONTINENT THROUGH PRESS LEAKS OR THEIR OWN INTELLIGENCE WHILE  
I AM IN PAKISTAN OR ELSEWHERE. IT MIGHT LEAD THEM TO CONCLUDE  
I AM LESS WELL INFORMED THAN THEY MAY HAVE BELIEVED OR THAT I  
HAVE BEEN HOLDING OUT ON THEM.

2. WILL YOU PLEASE TELL ME URGENTLY BEFORE 1045 LOCAL TIME  
JAN 17 WHAT I MAY TELL SWARAN SINGH, PREFERABLY WITH SOME  
EXPLANATION OF HOW NEW PARTS AND ACCESSORIES WHICH WEREN'T  
ON THE EQUIPMENT PREVIOUSLY AND WHICH SUBSTANTIALLY AUGMENT THE  
CAPABILITY OF THE EQUIPMENT WILL HENCEFORTH BE DEFINED. OUR  
PROBLEM IS THAT PREVIOUSLY THE INDIANS AND PAKISTANIS HAD A  
SECRET

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QUITE PRECISE NOTION OF WHAT WE WOULD AND WOULD NOT  
PROVIDE. THAT'S CHANGED.

3. I WOULD ALSO LIKE TO KNOW WHAT EMBASSY ISLAMABAD HAS TOLD

PAKS AND THEIR REACTION.

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